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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: N. Bowers
YASUYUKI NUMAJIRI ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1744
Application No.: 10/811,916)	
	:	Confirmation No. 3181
Filed: March 30, 2004)	
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For: BIOCHEMICAL REACTION)	
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Commissioner for Patents
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

Prior to conducting the examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows and consider the following remarks.